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Chairman Pat Miller
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Re: Sprint's Petition to Intervene
Docket No. 03-00391, Exemption of Certain Services

Dear Chairman Miller:

Please find enclosed an original and thirteen (13) copies of United Telephone-Southeast, Inc.'s Petition to Intervene in the above-referenced Docket. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$25.00 to cover the filing fee.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions concerning this request.

Sincerely yours,

Edward Phillips

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Enclosures

cc: Parties of Record

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Petition to Intervene of United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. upon all parties of record to this Docket by depositing a copy addressed to each in the United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid.

This 8th day of July, 2004.

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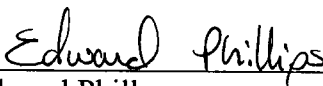
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BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

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| In Re: |) | |
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| Petition of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. for |) | Docket No. 03-00391 |
| Exemption of Certain Services |) | |
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PETITION TO INTERVENE

United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. ("Sprint" or "Petitioner") petitions the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("Authority") for leave to intervene in this proceeding pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 4-5-310 and 65-2-107 and Rule 1220-1-2-.08 of the Authority's Rules and Regulations. In support of this request, Sprint states the following:

1. Sprint is a telecommunications service provider in the State of Tennessee and provides general, comprehensive telecommunications services to customers within the state.

2. It is Sprint's understanding from the Hearing Officer's *Order Amending Procedural Schedule* entered on February 23, 2004, that the request by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth") to exempt its primary rate ISDN service ("PRI exemption") has not yet been scheduled for consideration before the Authority. Thus, since this is the portion of the docket in which the Petitioner is interested, the Petitioner has filed a timely request to intervene. In addition, Petitioner also understands that the Hearing Officer's Order requires the parties to file proposed procedural schedules for the PRI exemption phase of this docket by July 16, 2004.

3. Sprint provides primary rate interface ISDN services throughout its service territory in the State of Tennessee. As a price-regulated company in Tennessee, the adjudication of BellSouth's PRI exemption request will significantly impact Sprint. Under these

circumstances, Sprint's legal rights, duties, privileges and obligations will be impacted by the resolution of the PRI exemption issues herein.

4. In light of the foregoing, the subject matter of this proceeding may directly affect Sprint's operations in Tennessee.

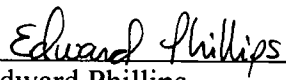
5. Also, as demonstrated above, Sprint's legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other legal interests may be determined in this proceeding.

6. Because of its direct interest in this proceeding, Sprint believes its intervention in this matter is warranted.

7. Finally, the interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings will not be impaired by allowing the requested intervention.

WHEREFORE, based on the foregoing, Sprint respectfully requests that the Authority grant this Petition and permit Sprint to become a full party of record in this docket.

Respectfully submitted this 8th day of July, 2004.



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